person or persons so offending, shall forfeit and pay for each and every offence, the sum Penalties how re- of Ten Pounds, upon conviction thereof upon the oath of one or more credible witness or witnesses, before any two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said County, and levied by warrant of distress and sale of the offender's goods and chattels, rendering the overplus, if any, after deducting the costs and charges, to such offender; and for want of sufficient goods and chattels whereon to levy the said fine, such offender or offenders shall be imprisoned, without bail or mainprize, for a term not less than ten days, and not exceeding twenty days; one half of which penalties shall, on conviction, be paid to the informer, and the other half to the Overseers of the Poor of the Town or Parish where such offence shall be committed, to be applied to the use of the Poor of such Town or Parish.

Recited Act contunned in force.

III. And be it further enacted, That the said herein before recited Acts, excepting wherein the same are hereby altered and amended, together with this Act, shall continue and be in force five years, and thence to the end of the next Session of the General Assembly.

CAP. XXIV.

An ACT to alter the Act for the establishment of Grammar Schools in several Councies of this Province.

Passed the 27th March, 1823.

HEREAS it is required by the eighth Section of an Act intituled " An " Act to establish Grammar Schools in se-" veral Counties of this Province," that One Hundred Pounds shall be raised or subscribed

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bed by the Inhabitants of the several and respective Counties of King's, Queen's, Westmorland, Sunbury, and Northumberland, before any sum can be obtained from the Province Treasury for the support of the said Schools in said Counties respectively: And whereas it has been found that the said requisition tends more to defeat the object of the Legislature than to encourage the establishment of Schools, as was intended: And whereas it is found necessary to increase the annual grant for the encouragement of the same-

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant- 7th and 8th 14 of Governor, Council, and Assembly, That the se- 21st, repealed. venth and eighth Sections of the said herein before recited Act, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

II. And be it further enacted, That the sum £175 annually of One Hundred and Seventy-five Pounds King's, annually, be included in the estimate of the Queen's, Westmorland, ordinary expences of the Province, for each Sunbury, and Northumberland, of the following Counties, that is to say, of King's, Queen's, Westmorland, Sunbury, and Northumberland, which said sum of One Hundred and Seventy-five Pounds, shall be granted annually for the payment of the Masters thereof respectively, the same to be to be drawn on drawn on the certificate of such Trustees and Certificate of the Directors, in favour of the person or persons entitled thereto.

III. And be it further enacted, That as Upon certificate soon as the said Trustees and Directors, in the County has any of the said last mentioned Counties, shall ing for a School, certify to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the

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time being, that such County hath provided a Building suitable for a Grammar School, and that they the said Trustees and Direcand a Master ca- tors, have provided a Master capable to ma-jubile to manage the said School, that then it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief, to draw by warrant, by and with the advice and consent of His Majesty's Council, on the Treasury of the Province, One half of the said sum of One Hundred to le diawis, and seventy-five Pounds, in favor of the tune intall yearly Master or Teacher of the said School, and so from time to time upon like certificates, in half yearly payments for the use of such Schools. Provided always, that all sums Menesaudrewn of money which shall be borne upon the esfrom the freasury timate as aforesaid, from year to year for the use of such Schools, and which shall not be drawn from the Treasury of this Province, pursuant to this Act, shall revert to the Provincial Fund, to be appropriated by the Legislature.

CAP. XXV.

An ACT for the encouragement of Parish Schools in this Province. Passed the b7th March. 1823.

W X THEREAS the education of Youth is of the utmost importance, and public attention to that object, in affording them easy means of acquiring useful knowledge, has been found to be attended with the most beneficial effects in Society---

I. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor. Invices in the se- Council, and Assembly, That the Justices of the General Sessions of the Peace for the secorpowered syndiat three veral and respective Counties in this Pro-Trestees for vince.

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